

Local Notes.

Washington to 'Er Joy a Grand Peace Jubilee.

Not to be outdone or outclassed by her sister cities, Washington is to have a "peace festival," although the event will not take place until next May. Initial steps were taken in this direction last Tuesday night at the second meeting of the Board of Directors of the newly organized Business Men's Association. While the plans for the "carnival of peace" have not been definitely suggested, yet the hearty approval and unanimous endorsement of the project by the directors gives assurance that the idea will be carried out with the promise of great success. The matter was brought up by Secretary W. S. McKean at the meeting held at 1314 F street, President W. S. Knox in the chair. There was a full representation of the board present, and much interesting discussion was indulged in regarding the matter. Some of our larger cities have held very successful so-called "peace jubilees" before peace had actually been declared between the United States and Spain; and since the advent of peace have now been practically agreed upon, it is most appropriate and fitting that this city, the National Capital, should, in some positive manner, celebrate the cessation of hostilities between the two great nations, the victories of the army and navy of our country on foreign waters and in far distant lands and the freedom from oppression of many peoples; therefore it is the sense of the Board of Directors of the Business Men's Association of Washington, D. C., that the citizens of the District of Columbia should and can, with great credit to themselves, carry out the suggested programme some time during the spring months of the coming year.

A resolution was also offered and adopted by the board approving the movement already inaugurated to appropriately celebrate in 1902 the centennial anniversary of the location of the permanent seat of government in this city, and pledged the most earnest support of the Business Men's Association to the movement.

An Unworthy Proposition.

Some members of the Committee on Census, who have in preparation the bill providing for the taking of the twelfth Census, are urging that all residents of the District of Columbia should be excluded from employment in taking the next census. These members argue that the District already has far more than its quota of employees in the different departments of the government, and that the places under the census ought to be given elsewhere. While there are some ardent advocates of such a provision in the bill, it is not likely to be adopted. It is claimed in opposition that there are many small positions which it would be difficult to fill with employees from the States, except, perhaps, from Maryland and Virginia which States also have a large quota of employees in the Government. Many positions can be filled by women, who could hardly journey a thousand miles from home to take employment in a strange city. The provision, as a general proposition, is regarded as unworthy the support of Congress.

Verdict for Harry King.

The charge of conducting a gift enterprise in violation of the lottery law, brought against Harry King, manager of King's Palace, was tried in the Police Court Tuesday, and after hearing the evidence, Judge Kimball directed that the jury return a verdict of not guilty. The explanation of the use of so-called trading stamps in King's Palace made by Mr. King showed that the cards given by him to customers represented merely a memorandum of a discount of 5 per cent, which he allowed to customers when their purchases aggregate \$50. After quoting the decision of the Court of Appeals on the case of the trading stamp company, whose business was declared illegal last year, Judge Kimball stated that the case on trial did not come within the operation of the law as then construed, and promptly dismissed the charge against Mr. King.

Mr. King, in his own defense, stated that he operates two stores, and gives stamps as a discount to purchasers at his stores, one stamp being given for each 10-cent purchase. This represented a 5 per cent discount, the witness said, and he adopted the stamp method to enlarge his business. The stamps were the easiest way of keeping account of the discount due each customer, and made customers their own bookkeepers. The stamps used, the witness said, his firm had purchased from a lithographer who made them for the company whose business was declared illegal last year. The stamps issued by Mr. King are the property of his firm and used exclusively by it. Stamps purchased at other stores would not be accepted at King's. The discount is in the form of gifts, one of which is presented to each customer who accumulates and turns in 500 stamps representing the purchase of \$50 worth of goods at King's.

Washington City Centennial.

In his message the President says: In the year 1790 will occur the centennial anniversary of the founding of the city of Washington or the permanent capital of the government of the United States by authority of an act of Congress approved July 16, 1790. In May, 1780, the archives and general offices of the Federal Government and records were removed to this place. On the 17th of November, 1790, the National Congress met here for the first time, and assumed exclusive control of the Federal district and city. This interesting event assumed all the more significance when we recall the circumstances attending the choosing of the site, the naming of the Capital in honor of the Father of his Country, and the interest taken by him in the adoption of plans for its future development on a magnificent scale.

These original plans have been wrought out with a constant progress and a signal success even beyond any thing their framers could have foreseen. The people of the country are justly proud of the distinctive beauty and government of the Capital, and of the rare instruments of science and education which here find their natural home.

A movement lately inaugurated by the citizens to have the anniversary celebrated with fitting ceremonies, including perhaps the establishment of a handsome permanent memorial to mark so historical an occasion, and to give it

more legal recognition, has met with general favor on the part of the public. I recommend to the Congress the granting of an appropriation for this purpose and the appointment of a committee from its respective bodies. It might also be advisable to authorize the President to appoint a committee from the country at large, which, acting with the Congressional and District of Columbia committees, can complete the plans for an appropriate national celebration.

Internal Revenue Decisions.

INFORMATION FOR BREWERS AND OTHERS.

ARTIFICIAL GINGER ALE AND CIDER.

The Acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue has addressed the following to the collector at Birmingham, Ala.: "Referring to a letter addressed by you to this office, inclosing a letter from Nabers, Morrow & Sinnige, wholesale druggists of Birmingham, Ala., submitting a formula for the manufacture of a beverage which they call 'Belfast ginger ale,' composed of soluble extract ginger, citric acid, tartaric acid, lime juice, rock candy sirup, coloring matter and water," the soluble extract of ginger being made (as they state) 'by percolating ground ginger with full strength alcohol,' to which are added aromatics, this office holds that if, as Nabers, Morrow & Sinnige state, 'it takes 2 ounces of the soluble extract of ginger to a gallon of the finished product,' and if no addition of alcohol beyond this is made to the beverage at any time, it does not come within the notice of the law as an alcoholic compound; and special tax is not required to be paid for its manufacture or sale. You will please advise them.

"But, with reference to a beverage made by the addition of apple cider extract to valerianate amy, oil of apple, oil of apricot, oil of pear, acetic ether of each previously dissolved in alcohol, and also carmel and carmin solution (which they have referred to this office for a ruling), you may inform them that while this beverage, if, when it is fully completed, 'the entire barrel of cider only contains 1 1/2 ounces of alcohol,' as they state, does not contain such a quantity of alcohol as to bring it within the notice of the internal revenue laws, and, therefore, the special tax of a rectifier is not required to be paid for its manufacture for sale, nor the special tax of a liquor dealer for its sale, yet they should be advised against selling such a beverage as this under the name of cider; and those who sell it as cider would be given constant trouble through the reports of the local revenue officers and agents, who find that throughout the South beverages sold under the name of cider are usually spurious, imitation, or compound liquors, produced by mixing distilled spirits or wine with other materials."

BLACKBERRY WINE.
The Internal Revenue Department, in a letter to J. J. Robertson, Tally, Va., reiterates a decision previously made in regard to special tax for sale of blackberry wine. It says: "In reply to a letter of inquiry which you have addressed to this office as to whether you 'can make and sell blackberry wine without special United States internal revenue license,' you are hereby advised that you can not do so unless the wine is made by you from blackberries of your own growing, or gathered wild by yourself or by persons in your employ, and unless this wine is sold by you only at the place of manufacture or at but one 'general business office' (Sec. 3245, Rev. Stat.). If this or any other wine is put up in bottles for sale, tax must be paid thereon under the following provisions of Schedule B of the act of June 13, 1898 (was revenue act): "Sparking of other wines, when bottled for sale, upon each bottle containing one pint or less, one cent. "Upon each bottle containing more than one pint, two cents."

The State Liquor League of Virginia was permanently organized at a meeting of liquor men from all over the State, held in Emerald Hall. The following officers were elected: C. J. Cannon, of Norfolk, President; J. F. Barrett, of Newport News, First Vice President; W. F. Steptoe, of Lynchburg, Second Vice President; T. S. Fitzgibbon, of Norfolk, Secretary; John W. Sullivan, of Portsmouth, Treasurer; L. Privitt, of Portsmouth, Financial Secretary, and James Ray, of Norfolk, Sergeant at arms. Addresses were made by Messrs. P. H. Nolan, National Organizer, and E. L. Jordan, Chairman of the Congressional legislative committee, who explained the objects of the national and State associations and the benefits to accrue from the organization of a league in Virginia.

Important Announcement to Our Patrons.
The Editor of this paper announces to his friends and patrons and, particularly, to those engaged in technical branches, that he has associated with him HON. R. G. DYER, of Philadelphia, late Commissioner of Patents, who is a graduate of a German polytechnic school, was for many years previously, an Examiner and Examiner-in-chief of the Patent Office, having charge of various divisions of mechanical and chemical technology, and is well known in this country and in Europe as an able and skillful patent lawyer, expert, and solicitor of great experience.

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